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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/456,794
Filing Date	December 8, 1999
First Named Inventor	Jay Chen
Group Art Unit	2137
Examiner Name	P. Callahan
Attorney Docket Number	64808-011

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.1.03(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other

3. **Fees**

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No.50-1946
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) \$395.00! 05/09/2006 SDENBOB1 00000022 501946 09456794
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17), 01 FC:2801 395.00 DA
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$\_\_ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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Signature		Date	5-5-06

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I hereby certify that this correspondence and identified enclosures are being deposited on May 5, 2006, with the U.S. Postal Service, "Express Mail Post Office to Address" service, No. EV 555 515 154 US, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10, addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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